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For: SURFACE-COATED CUTTING TOOL WITH COATED FILM HAVING  
STRENGTH DISTRIBUTION OF COMPRESSIVE STRESS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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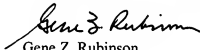
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The relevance of JP 2001-315006 A, is discussed in the present specification.

Please note that US Application No. 10/587,178, filed on July 25, 2006, is related to the present application. The front page of the corresponding published international application is attached for the examiner's information.

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